The Big Challenge online 2025

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Answer key / Correction

1 **Look, and listen to the interviewer. Find the young woman's answer.**



♪ AUDIO

- Yes, I do.
- By train.
- **I come from Manchester.** ✓
- I’m going to London.

2 **Listen to the woman’s question and find the man's answer.**



♪ AUDIO

- It’s red, blue and yellow.
- **Yes, I’ve got a parrot.** ✓
- It’s on my shoulder.
- It can fly.

3 **Look and listen. Which picture is the man describing?**



♪ AUDIO

- A
- B
- **C** ✓
- D

4 **Listen to the phone conversation. What day will they go to the cinema?**



♪ AUDIO

- **Sunday.** ✓
- Friday.
- Thursday.
- Saturday.

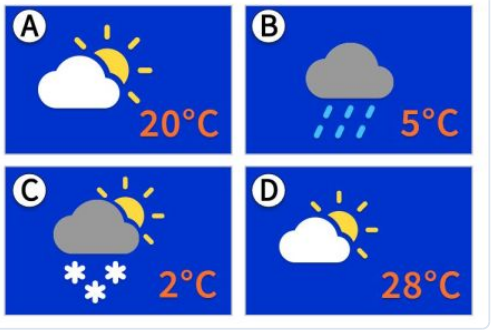
5 **Look, and listen to the woman. She's in one of the pictures. Which one?**



♪ AUDIO

- A
- **B** ✓
- C
- D

6 **Look, and listen to the weather forecast. Which picture does the forecast correspond to?**



♪ AUDIO

- A
- B
- **C** ✓
- D

7 **Listen. How old was Elizabeth when she became queen?**



♪ AUDIO

- **26** ✓
- 52
- 70
- 96

8 **Look, and listen to the conversation in a souvenir shop in London. How much does the woman have to pay?**



♪ AUDIO

- £1
- **£4** ✓
- £5
- £2

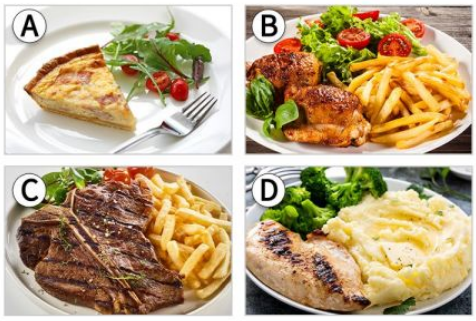
9 **Listen to the conversation. What time does the last bus leave this evening?**



♪ AUDIO

- 11 pm
- 3 pm
- **10.45 pm** ✓
- 10 pm

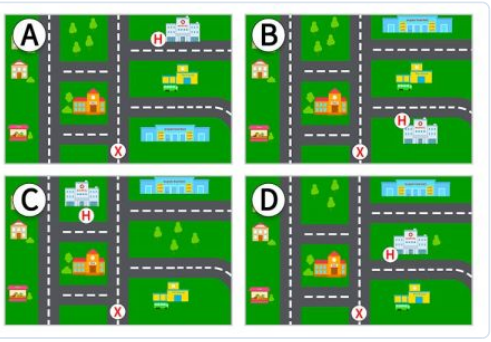
10 **Look, and listen to the conversation. What are they having for dinner?**



♪ AUDIO

- A
- **B** ✓
- C
- D

11 **You are at point X and you are going to the hospital (H). Listen. Which map corresponds to the instructions you hear?**



♪ AUDIO

- A
- B
- **C** ✓
- D

12 **Listen to the list of objects and find the picture that matches.**



♪ AUDIO

- **A** ✓
- B
- C
- D

13 **Listen. What's the man's name?**



♪ AUDIO

- Jaime Toyle
- Graime Doile
- Jarome Doyle
- **Graeme Doyle** ✓

14 **Sarah has done some shopping for her neighbour, Mrs Jones. Listen to their conversation. What can Sarah say now?**



♪ AUDIO

- **You're welcome.** ✓
- It's all the same to me.
- You don't mind.
- It doesn't matter.

15 **This waiter is serving a group of friends in a restaurant. Listen to their conversation. What can the waiter say next?**



♪ AUDIO

- Sure, I'll be right back.
- One bottle of water, coming up!
- **No worries, enjoy!** ✓
- It doesn't have meat in it.

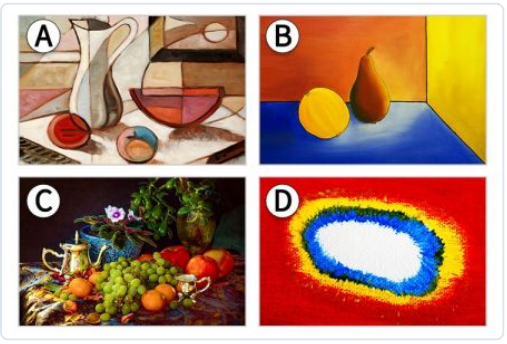
16 **Look at the picture, listen and find the sentence that describes it (A, B, C or D).**



♪ AUDIO

- **A** ✓
- B
- C
- D

17 **Look and listen. Which painting is being described?**



♪ AUDIO

A

B ✓

C

D

18 **Listen to a man's thoughts and find which picture he's in.**



♪ AUDIO

A

B

C ✓

D

19 **Listen to woman. Which picture matches the description?**



♪ AUDIO

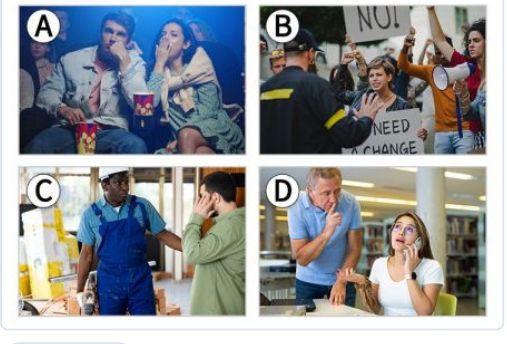
A

B

C

D ✓

20 **Look, and listen to the man. He's in one of the pictures. Which one?**



♪ AUDIO

A

B

C ✓

D

21 **Listen to John. He's talking to his friend Katya. What can you say about the situation?**



♪ AUDIO

John wants to be alone at the moment.

John wants Katya to agree to go out with him.

Katya is playing a video game and John wants to try it. ✓

John doesn't want to be Katya's boyfriend any more.

22 **Rachel is on the phone with her friend Rob. What did Rob do this morning?**



♪ AUDIO

He took his driving test. ✓

He got the results of a maths test.

He ran in a race.

He had a complete medical examination.

23 **Listen to the conversation. Who is the woman?**



♪ AUDIO

A supermarket cashier. ✓

A customer in an electrical shop.

A passport controller.

A guest about to eat a yoghurt at a friend's house.

24 **Emma's friends Jane and Mark have come to stay with her for the weekend. Listen to their conversation. What can Emma say next?**



♪ AUDIO

- Help yourself.
- **Make yourself at home.** ✓
- Take care!
- Beware of the dog!

25 **Listen to the conversation between colleagues Jane and Mark. Which sentence is true?**



♪ AUDIO

- Mark was too scared to go on the balloon ride.
- **Jane is impressed that Mark did something in spite of his fears.** ✓
- Mark enjoyed the balloon ride, even the take off and landing.
- It was cloudy so Mark was disappointed by the views.

26 **Listen to the man. Who is he?**



♪ AUDIO

- A chef.
- A computer salesman.
- **A doctor.** ✓
- A teacher.

27 **Listen to the conversation between the police officer and the home owner. Which statement is true?**



♪ AUDIO

- **The home owner didn’t want to go into her flat by herself.** ✓
- The woman is telling the officer that some of her things have been stolen.
- The police officer had to break the door’s lock to enter the flat.
- The woman called the police from inside her flat.

28 **Listen to the conversation. What can the woman say now?**



♪ AUDIO

- **You were taken for a ride.** ✓
- You should have trusted him.
- You didn't put your cards on the table.
- You had a lucky escape.

29 **Listen. Which word can you hear?**



♪ AUDIO

- earring
- hiring
- error
- **hearing** ✓

30 **Listen and find the word that DOES NOT rhyme with it.**



♪ AUDIO

- bear
- **near** ✓
- wear
- pear

31 **Listen. Which group of words can you hear?**



♪ AUDIO

- No one of the
- **guessed who the** ✓
- the students' guest
- the lecture was referring

32 **Who is the patron saint of Ireland?**



♪ AUDIO

- Saint George.
- Saint Andrew.
- Saint David.
- **Saint Patrick.** ✓

33 **Listen and answer the question.**



♪ AUDIO

- The current states.
- Freedom.
- The English flag.
- **The first American colonies.** ✓

34 "Whose phone is ringing?" "It's ... . I'll turn it off , sorry!"



- my
- I
- **mine** ✓
- me

35 "What ... do last night?" "I read comic books."



- do I
- have they
- **did you** ✓
- will you

36 She ... when her alarm went off at 6 am.



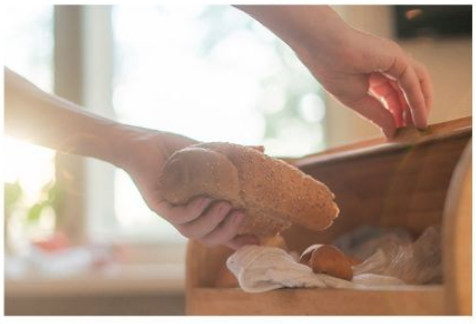
- dreams
- is awake
- has slept
- **was sleeping** ✓

37 Quick! If you ... the house now, you'll catch the bus.



- **leave** ✓
- are going
- won't go
- will leave

38 "... there ... bread left?" "There's a little."



- Are ... many
- Have ... some
- Isn't ... all
- **Is ... much** ✓

39 Ever since Carrie broke up with James, she ... the boy next door.



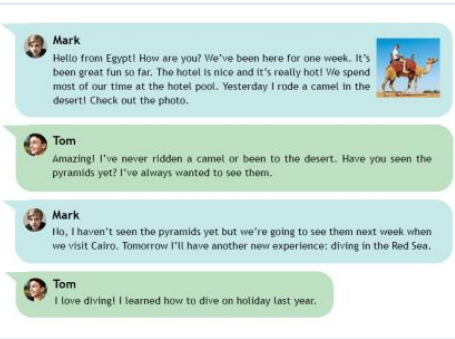
- was seeing
- is seeing
- **has been seeing** ✓
- has seen

40 What do we know about Mark?



- **He's on holiday in Egypt.** ✓
- He went to Egypt last year.
- He lives in Egypt.
- He's back home now.

41 Mark tells Tom that ... .



- the hotel isn't very nice and it's too hot
- **he's been in Egypt for one week** ✓
- he hasn't been in the hotel pool yet
- he's not having much fun

42 We know that Tom ... .



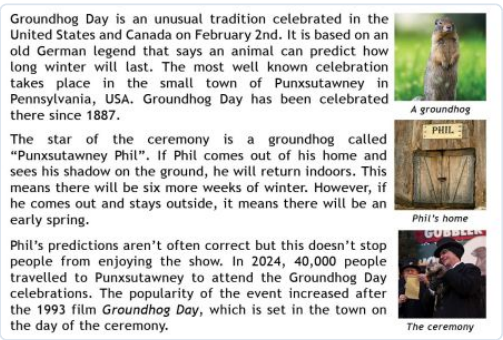
- has ridden a camel before
- visited the desert yesterday
- has never wanted to see the pyramids
- **already knows how to dive** ✓

43 Find the sentence that is true.



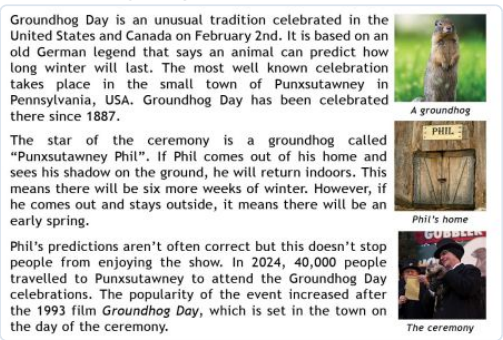
- **Mark will see the Egyptian pyramids in the next seven days.** ✓
- Mark is first going to Cairo, then to the Red Sea.
- Mark learned diving in the hotel pool.
- Mark didn't go to the desert yesterday.

44 Who is Phil?



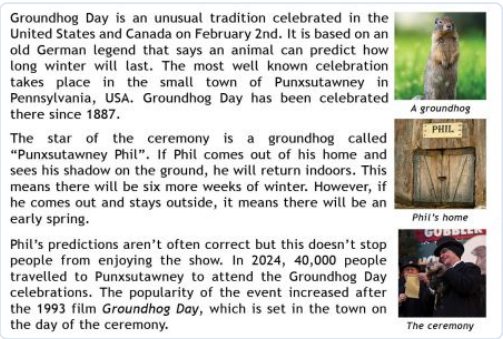
- **A groundhog.** ✓
- A weather man.
- The writer of the article.
- A film star.

45 Groundhog Day is ... .



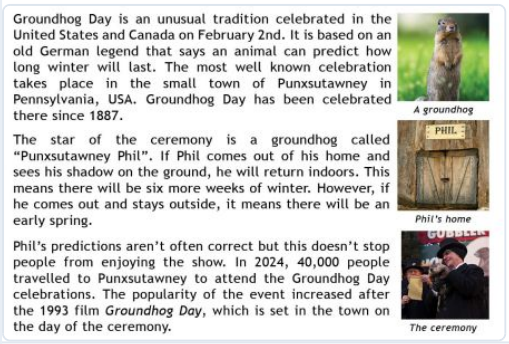
- originally a British tradition
- **an event in the USA and Canada** ✓
- a small brown animal
- a special event in spring

46 The town of Punxsutawney ... .



- has celebrated Groundhog Day since 1987
- is in Canada
- **has the most famous Groundhog Day event** ✓
- has a population of 40,000

47 According to the legend, if the groundhog ... .



Groundhog Day is an unusual tradition celebrated in the United States and Canada on February 2nd. It is based on an old German legend that says an animal can predict how long winter will last. The most well known celebration takes place in the small town of Punxsutawney in Pennsylvania, USA. Groundhog Day has been celebrated there since 1887.

A groundhog

The star of the ceremony is a groundhog called "Punxsutawney Phil". If Phil comes out of his home and sees his shadow on the ground, he will return indoors. This means there will be six more weeks of winter. However, if he comes out and stays outside, it means there will be an early spring.

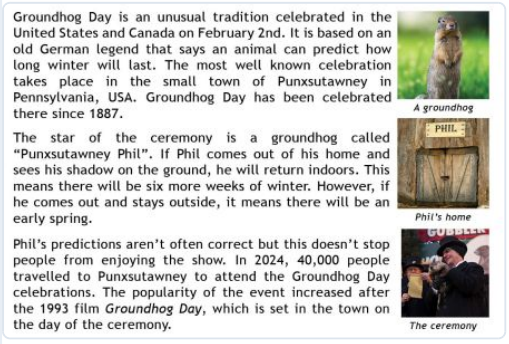
Phil's home

Phil's predictions aren't often correct but this doesn't stop people from enjoying the show. In 2024, 40,000 people travelled to Punxsutawney to attend the Groundhog Day celebrations. The popularity of the event increased after the 1993 film *Groundhog Day*, which is set in the town on the day of the ceremony.

The ceremony

- **doesn't go back inside, there will be an early spring** ✓
- sees a shadow, there will be six more months of winter
- is too cold, he won't come outside
- stays outside, there will be six more weeks until spring

48 Find the sentence that is NOT true.



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The ceremony

- Even though Phil's predictions are often wrong, people like the event.
- Lots of people became aware of Groundhog Day because of a film.
- The film "Groundhog Day" takes place in Punxsutawney on 2 February.
- **The Groundhog Day tradition started after the 1993 film.** ✓

49 Silicon Valley in California is famous for ... .



- earthquakes
- the production of oranges
- **technological progress** ✓
- the number of movie stars who live there

50 Complete the list: Perth, Darwin, Adelaide, ...



- Ottawa
- Wellington
- **Canberra** ✓
- Calgary

51 Which political leader was assassinated in a theatre in Washington D.C.?



- Martin Luther King Jr.
- John F. Kennedy.
- **Abraham Lincoln.** ✓
- George Washington.

52 Peter's father ... him ... to Mrs Brown for his bad behaviour.



- made ... to say sorry
- had ... to apologise
- got ... apologise
- **made ... apologise** ✓

53 “Where are they? They ... here hours ago. Do you think they've had an accident?”



- are supposed to be
- will have arrived
- **should have been** ✓
- have been coming

54 “The more expensive rooms like this one have a sea view,” said the hotel manager, “but the cheaper ones ... the car park.”



- **overlook** ✓
- overcome
- oversee
- overview

55 Jane's nervous. It's her first day at her new school tomorrow. Her father says, “You'll soon … ,” meaning “You'll get used to it very quickly.”



- make ends meet
- **find your feet** ✓
- sit up straight
- plant your tree